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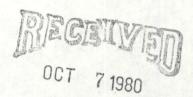
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DIVISION OF OIL, GAS & MINING Grand Junction, CO 81501

> Mine Water Impoundment RE:

Dear Ms. Jackson:

Karen Jackson

Plateau Resources

772 Horizon Drive

We have reviewed the plans and information regarding the proposed Plateau Resources Tony M uranium mine water impoundment at the alternate site near Shootering Canyon, Garfield County. The Armstrong Engineers and Associates, August 1980 reports Existing Mine Water Impoundment Sturctures, Geotechnical Study and Proposed Design, plans 1-11 and specifications for the alternate site impoundment area were reviewed.

As a result of our review, the plans for the Plateau Resources Tony M Mine water impoundment are approved and a construction permit as constituted by this letter is hereby issued provided at least 3 feet of freeboard is maintained on all dams.

It is also recommended that the pipeline tank be equipped with a maximum level float control to prevent overfilling the tank due to excess pumping or blockage of the discharge line.

The impoundment will have an area of approximately 20 acres and 300 acre feet of storage to totally contain and evaporate 65 gpm of mine water. The impoundment area will be lined with 2 feet of compacted clay or have an equivalent natural clay soil to reduce the seepage to 1 \times 10-7 cm/sec. The 35 foot high earth dam will have an impervious clay core and 25 foot crest width. Two peripheral dams 3 feet high will also be constructed. Any water intercepted in the toe drain or relief wells will be pumped back to the impoundment.

A quarterly report of the flow rate, pond level, quanity and analysis of any water intercepted in the toe drain or pressure relief wells, shall be submitted to this office.

The existing impoundment may be used until the new system is operational and then as a backup system.

Sincerely,

UTAH WATER POLLUTION COMMITTEE

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Mr. James Smith Division of Oil, Gas and Mining 1588 West North Temple Salt Lake City, UT 84116

Dear Mr. Smith:

Pursuant to our conversation on September 3, 1980, additional information for Plateau's mine water impoundment area is attached.

The following related materials were hand delivered to your office:

- Safety Analysis of "Existing Mine Water Impoundment Structure".
- Specifications for alternate site impoundment area earth dam and appurtenant construction.
- 3. Geotechnical study and proposed design for alternate site impoundment area earth dam.

Other contacts are Mr. Steve McNeal of the Bureau of Water Pollution Control, Division of Environmental Health and Mr. Bob Morgan, Dam Safety, Office of the State Engineer.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Karen E. Jackson

Licensing Coordinator

Karen E. Jackson

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Attachments:

Index Map

Reclamation Plan for Impoundment Areas

Topsoil, Stockpile Location Map

Water Quality Data

Archeological Map

Armstrong Engineering's Reclamation Letter

Reclamation Contract - 2 copies

